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Chief Administrative Officer

November 9, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE TERM OF PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE
ORDINANCE NO. 11,854, GRANTED TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3-VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve an amendment to petroleum pipeline franchise Ordinance No. 11,854, granted to the United States of America (USA), to extend the term of the franchise to December 31, 2006.
2. Introduce, waive reading, and place on your Board's agenda for adoption the accompanying ordinance that implements the above recommendation, becoming effective 30 days from adoption therefrom.
3. Find that this project is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Class 1 of the Environmental Document reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, and Section 15301 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to extend the term of the petroleum pipeline franchise granted to the USA through December 31, 2006, in order to provide USA additional time to perform the due diligence necessary to file maps and reports showing the location and footages for USA's pipelines that remain in the highways within the unincorporated areas of the County of Los Angeles (County).

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Once USA has provided the maps and reports and verified the pipeline locations and footages, the County can negotiate a renewal of the franchise with USA, which will include all pipelines owned and operated by USA in unincorporated County areas.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

The County of Los Angeles Strategic Plan directs that we provide the public with quality service that is beneficial and responsive (Goal 1). The Board's approval and adoption of an ordinance to extend the term of this pipeline franchise is consistent with this goal.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no fiscal impact since the existing USA franchise was granted without payment of any franchise fee, except the compliance by USA and its assigns with all the terms and conditions of the franchise and Los Angeles County Code (Title 16, Div. 3A, Ch. 2).

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

In January 1979, your Board granted USA a 25-year petroleum pipeline franchise that was scheduled to expire in February 2004, which by Ordinance No. 2004-0007F, adopted by your Board January 13, 2004, was extended through December 31, 2004.

USA has requested an extension of the franchise to allow additional time to provide the County franchise reports and maps accurately locating USA's pipelines in County highways, as required to request your Board's approval of a new multi-year franchise for USA's active turbine fuel pipelines, and to allow USA to coordinate the disposal of its idle pipelines through approved abandonment or sale.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended Board actions will not impact or adversely affect any current services. The Department of Public Works and Fire Department have reviewed the request and have no objections. County Counsel has reviewed the accompanying ordinance and has approved it as to form.

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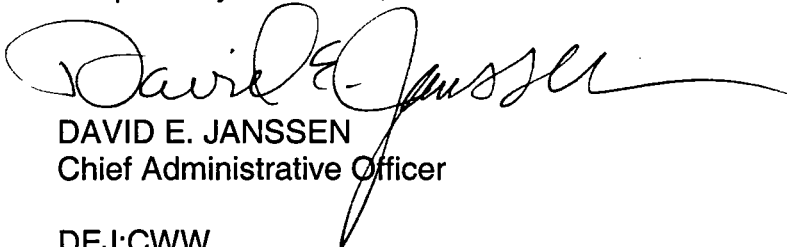
ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The recommended action is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Class 1, Section of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, and Section 15301 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

CONCLUSION

Instruct the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, to send approved copies of this letter and the adopted ordinance to Department of the Army, Los Angeles District, Corps of Engineers, 915 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90017, Attention: Ms. Heather M. Self, Assistant District Counsel, and forward approved copies of this letter and the adopted ordinance to the offices of County Counsel, Department of Public Works, Fire Department, Petrochemical Unit, and the Chief Administrative Office, Real Estate Division, Property Management Section, 222 South Hill Street, 3rd Floor, Los Angeles, California 90012.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David E. Janssen", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

DAVID E. JANSSEN
Chief Administrative Officer

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Fire Department
Department of Public Works

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